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"Building Partnerships – Building Communities"

STUDY SESSION MINUTES

December 22, 2008

THOSE PRESENT:

Alan Crankovich, Paul Jewell (BOCC) Mandy Weed, Dan Valoff, Dan Davis (CDS) Kirk Holmes, Kelly Carlson (DPW) Neil Caulkins (PR) Marsha Weyand (AS)

GUESTS PRESENT:

Noah Goodrich, Jill Arango, Lindsay Ozbolt, Alex Conley

Authority to Replace BOA with the Hearing Examiner Discussion:

Dan Valoff stated that the BOA could be replaced with the Hearing Examiner as RCW 36.70 #1c states the county is not required to have a BOA if we have a Hearing Examiner. Commissioner Jewell questioned what types of permits the BOA hears. Valoff explained and stated that all of the BOA decisions are final and would go to superior court if appealed. Commissioner Crankovich and Neil discussed the Jump project as they stated the BOA shut them out and really didn't even let them go through the full process.

Board Direction:

None.

Archeology & Historic Site Survey Data To be Added to County GIS:

Valoff stated he had an update for the board in regards to archeology and historical sites and handed out a MOU that outlines the requirements if we were to get the GIS layer and stated it puts a lot of liability on the county and went through the requirements. Neil stated that this is as close to secret as the State of Washington gets and if someone knowingly goes in these restricted areas it is a Class C Felony. Neil stated that he does not think that this is a road that we want to go down. Valoff stated the developers were questioning our authority and we may just have to have the applicant consult with the state archeology. Commissioner Jewell stated that it doesn't sound like something that we want to enter into and we will need to base our comments off of SEPA.

Board Direction:

None.

Residential Wind Turbine Ordinance Update:

Davis went thru the 2 drafts of the residential wind turbine ordinance. Neil commented that we need to wait until the 2009 docket process. Davis questioned if we could allow for more than 1 turbine. Neil stated he believes that we could but we would need to update the development code which would need to be done at the time of the docket. Commissioner Jewell stated he would like a chance to take a look at this ordinance and revisit it again in the next month.

Board Direction:

None.

Critical Areas Ordinance:

Valoff handed out the time line of where we are at with the Critical Areas Ordinance update. He stated that based on legislature, jurisdictions were given until 2010 to update their CAO. Valoff stated that we do have a draft that was done in 2007. Commissioner Crankovich questioned what we need to do to restart this process and pick up where we left off. Valoff stated that it is identified in the 2009 work plan.

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Board Direction:

None.

Consideration of MOA with CLC:

Commissioner Crankovich stated that there were issues that came up last week with the language in the MOA. Neil stated that he has not yet reviewed it but Greg may have. Commissioner Crankovich stated looking at the redline version it looks like it address all of the issues. Commissioner Jewell stated he agrees but legal needs to sign off on it first. Commissioner Crankovich questioned approving it pending legal review. Neil stated that he would rather not have them take action at study session. Commissioner Crankovich stated they will notice it and schedule it for Monday.

Board Direction:

Notice and schedule meeting for Monday, December 29, 2008.